

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the Specification as follows.

**Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:**

[0012] Figure 3 illustrates a VLAN table that is implemented according to the present invention; ~~and~~

**Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following amended paragraph:**

[0013] Figure 4 illustrates the steps implemented in the present invention-; and

**Please insert the following new paragraph after paragraph [0013] on page 6 of the specification:**

[0014] Figure 5 illustrates an apparatus for forwarding an incoming frame in a network switch according to the present invention.